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SUBJECT: EXTRANCHECK: POST-SHIPMENT VERIFICATION:  
ROMONA INC., YUZHNO-SAKHALINSK, RUSSIA, LICENSE NO.  
D357847

¶1. Unauthorized disclosure of the information provided below is prohibited by Section 12C of the Export Administration Act.

¶2. Reftel 1 requested a Post-shipment verification to determine the legitimacy and reliability of the end-user, Romona Inc., Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk, Russia. The company is listed on BIS license application D357847 as the ultimate consignee of an optically pumped magnetometer, model G-882. These items are controlled for national security and anti-terrorism reasons under ECCN 6A006. The licensee is Geometrics Inc., 2190 Fortune Drive, San Jose, CA 95131.

¶3. On November 29, 2007, Export Control Attache Peter Liston and FSN Natalya Shipitsina conducted the requested post-shipment verification with Romona Inc., 426 Mira Avenue, Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk, Russia. The export control team met with Boris Kornoukhov, General Director, Sergey Aloykhin, Financial Director and Vladimir Tarasov, Head of Survey Department.

¶4. Romona was established in Sakalin, Russia in 1991 as an independent company specializing in offshore and onshore survey, navigation, and positioning services throughout the Russian Federation, the South East Asia and the Middle East. In addition, Romona provides hydrographic and seafloor imagery surveys, marine engineering and hazard assessment surveys, meteorological and oceanographic data collection, processing and analysis, survey and inspection of underwater structures and facilities, and land surveys.

¶5. ECO Liston conducted a physical inspection of the subject commodity, an optically pumped magnetometer, model G-882. The magnetometer was crated and stored in a locked facility with limited access. Affixed to the magnetometer was the serial number: 882124, dated 7/7/2006. Vladimir Tarasov, Head of Survey Department, stated that only two survey engineers utilize the magnetometer. Tarasov stated that the magnetometer is in full use approximately 6 months out of the year, which is the season for this region.

¶6. ECO Liston advised all Romona employees present during the PSV of the export restrictions and condition placed upon the optically pumped magnetometer, model G-882, under license no. D357847.

17. Recommendations: Post recommends Romona Inc.,  
Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk, Russia as reliable recipients of  
sensitive U.S. origin commodities.  
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